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All In Credit Union celebrates opening of new branch in Elba

All In Credit Union celebrated the opening of its new Elba branch Thursday, Sept. 26, as the Elba Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony to mark the special occasion.

Despite hurricane-related weather, community members braved the weather to show their support of All In.

"Today, All In Credit Union is pleased to celebrate our presence here in Elba," said Bobby Michael, President/CEO. "As a credit union accustomed to achieving 'firsts,' we are extraordinarily proud that All In was the first Credit Union to open in the city of Elba."

The newly opened branch provides members convenient access to a full-service location, including an interactive teller machine, also known as a "Smart ATM" accessible

24 hours a day. This technologically advanced machine provides access to every All In account, permits transactions without a debit or credit card and accepts check and cash deposits. It also offers cash withdrawals in mixed bills and provides the option to make loan payments from the machine any time of the day or night.

"As a company, All In has experienced extraordinary growth," Michael said. "It's exciting to share that All In Credit Union is now the third largest credit union in Alabama with an asset size of 3.3 billion, serving more than 190,000 members in southern Alabama, Florida, and Mississippi. While these statistics are impressive, many of you already know that our service and dedication to the community is what truly sets us apart."

All In Credit Union's

Elba Branch is located at 402 West Collier Street and is open Monday through Friday. In addition to 34 locations in Southern Alabama and Northwest Florida, All In has a location in Pascagoula, Mississippi. All In Credit Union, headquartered in Daleville, AL, is known for its high level of community involvement and cost-effective financial services.

"As a Credit Union that works hard for its members, we couldn't be more pleased to welcome the Elba Branch to the All In family," Michael said. "Whether it's at this location or one of our other All In branches, we look forward to partnering with you for many years to come as we work to enhance the Elba community."



The opening of the Elba branch for All In Credit Union was celebrated Thursday, Sept. 26, with an open house event and ribbon cutting ceremony. City and Chamber officials with the City of Elba welcomed All In to Elba, and Mayor Tom Maddox said "Elba is happy to have you here." Branch employees were joined by All In leaders to celebrate the special day. All joined in for the ribbon cutting ceremony along with the Elba City Queens.

CCYLP welcomes new class for 2024-2025 school year



The 2024-2025 Coffee County Youth Leadership Program (CCYLP) class [pictured above] was inducted Monday evening, Sept. 30, during a ceremony held at the Coffee County Board of Education office. The mission of the CCYLP is to assist high school students in developing their leadership potential, and as a result, take active leadership roles in improving their homes, schools, and communities.

High school juniors selected from across Coffee County to participate in this year's CCYLP class were: (Elba High School) Keele Moseley, Caleigh Smith, Jay Wilson, Sydney Siler, and Jah'Haira Walker; (Enterprise Christian Academy) Trey Atterberry, Emma Kelty, and Eli Tindoll; (Enterprise High School) Courtney Jenkins, Lint Sawyer, Anna Jane Lavender, Juan Thomas, and Annabella Willard; (Kinston High School) Kalie Davis, Lilli Sumblin, William Wyrosdick, Bryne Kelley, and Mary Beth Weeks; (New Brockton High School) Bryant Crumpler, Ashley Hernandez, Estrella

Hernandez Azamar, Brody Davis, and Jackson Reynolds; and (Zion Chapel High School) Claire Clark, Zach English, Ashley McKenzie, Emma Jo Smith, and Katelyn Voss.

The students will participate in various sessions throughout the school year to include team building, agriculture and industry, healthcare, county government, Fort Novosel, community resources, and state government. At the end of the year, a graduation ceremony will be held to celebrate the completion of the program.



Elba High School CCYLP students are (from left) Keele Moseley, Jah'Haira Walker, Jay Wilson, Caleigh Smith, and Sydney Siler.



ELBA HIGH SCHOOL RUNNING BACK LEADS NATION IN RUSHING: Elba senior running back Alvin Henderson [pictured above] was recognized this week by the Alabama High School Athletic Association. He topped the 300-yard mark for the fifth time in six games on the season and for the fourth straight game, finishing with 344 yards on 26 carries in a 48-34 win over Goshen last Friday night. Henderson has gained a nation-leading 1,958 yards this season on 152 carries for 33 rushing touchdowns, according to statistics reported to MaxPreps. His total is also 536 yards more than Clearfield (PA) running back Brady Collins, who ranks No. 2 with 1,452 yards. Henderson's career rushing total is now 9,232 yards, which ranks fourth all-time and moved him past former Dale County High School star Jamarius Henderson, who had 9,207 rushing yards from 2010-2014. Mac Campbell of Alexandria is the AHSAA's all-time leader with 9,839 yards from 1992-1997. Henderson needs 613 more yards this season move all the way to No. 1. He is averaging 13.5 yards per carry for his career, which also tops the AHSAA. His career rushing total has come on just 684 carries - 573 less than Campbell, who holds the state record for durability with 1,157 career rush attempts.

Coffee County Arts Alliance opens new season

From captivating and hilarious shows to soul and something everyone can enjoy.

In January, CCAA will go from hilarious canine comedy with Mutt's Gone Nuts, yes, the ones from America's Got Talent to Twitty and Lynn with a salute to the music of their famous grandparents Conway and Loretta. Both performances have been playing to sold out audiences around the country and world and they will be in Enterprise in January.

The season will round out with the Auburn Singers in February, both the show choir and the concert choir, including many vocalists from the Wiregrass. Finally, the ever-popular Piney Woods Art Festival

will be held in May this year. There is definitely something for all ages and interest in this exciting season. Visit the website www.coffeecountyartsalliance.org for details, videos and to purchase tickets.

Tickets also are available at Yancey Parker's, Coffee Corner, Brick Pizza in Enterprise and through MWR on Ft Novosel.

NOTICE:

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Friday, Oct. 11, due to an out-of-town trip. However, the office will be open Monday, Oct. 14, on Columbus Day.

Area Happenings

The Republican Women of Coffee County will meet Wednesday, Oct. 16, at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway.

The guest speaker will be Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall. He will provide an update on the affairs of Alabama and the nation. Marshall was appointed in February 2017 by Governor Robert Bentley to fill the vacancy created by previous Attorney General Luther Strange's appointment to the United States Senate. He was elected to a full term in 2018 and was re-elected in 2022.

Social time begins at 11 a.m.; an optional \$15 buffet begins at 11:30; and the program begins at approximately 12 noon. Everyone is invited, but reservations are required not later than Oct. 12th. RSVP to rwccclunchreservations@gmail.com or phone 334-806-8888 and please indicate if planning to eat.



Members of the Elba Lions Club met Tuesday, Sept. 24, and were honored to welcome guest speaker Melonee Blair from the Elba branch of Troy Bank and Trust. She enlightened the club members on security issues/measures for banking and new techniques scammers use to access identities. Also, Lori Shortt, Zone 7 Chair from the Geneva Lions Club, spoke with members on ways to increase membership. Blair and Shortt are pictured above with the Elba Lions Club members [Blair is shown to the left of the podium while Shortt is standing to the right of the podium].

EDITORIAL

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Alyssa is registered at Oaks on Park

Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024, through Monday, Sept. 30, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

Tuesday, Sept. 24 – Animal complaint reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (11:09 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1649 Boswell St (4:12 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 595 Collier Circle (8:20 p.m.); Sexual assault reported at 24946 Piney Grove Rd (8:39 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported in area of Brunson Circle and Davis St E (11:18 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in two verbal warnings, and two citations.

Wednesday, Sept. 25 – Harassment reported at 650 Claxton Ave N (8:55 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1310 Stoudemire St (9:16 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at Hwy 203/MM 164 (10:53 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one written warning, and one citation.

Thursday, Sept. 26 – Trespassing reported at 1425 Martin Luther King Dr (6:56 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 1404 Reese Ave (9:00 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on Davis St W – w/impound (11:11 a.m.); Sexual assault

reported from 400 N Edwards St (11:31 a.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in one citation, one written warning, and two verbal warnings.

Friday, Sept. 27 – Suspicious circumstances reported at Hwy 84 and County Rd 501 (8:34 a.m.); Report of shots fired at 610 Jackson Ave – w/arrest (8:04 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

Saturday, Sept. 28 – Domestic disturbance reported at 1162 Morrow Ave (4:17 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (5:56 a.m.); Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle reported at 315 Adkinson Ave (8:13 a.m.); Noise complaint reported at 595 Newton St (7:50 p.m.); Fight reported at 639 Reynolds Ave (10:17 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

Sunday, Sept. 29 – Suspicious person reported at 342 Court Ave (2:41 p.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Martin Luther King Dr and Reynolds Ave (5:56 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 595 Collier Circle (10:38 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in four written warnings.

Monday, Sept. 30 – Verbal altercation reported at 389 Tucker Ave (4:07

a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at the Rec Department (5:43 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported in area of Davis St W and Adkinson Ave (6:50 a.m.); Theft by deception reported to Elba Police (8:30 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 219 Taylor Ave (9:16 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1401 Martin

Luther King Dr (9:36 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (12:20 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 357 Tiger Dr (4:23 p.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of County Rd 365 and County Rd 364 (7:09 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in two written warnings.

Cuzin Lou Lou's
Tales from Yonder

Not: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou is recovering this week from self-inflicted torture!

Lou Lou has a history with wax strips, and she swore after her first experience with those sticky devices that she would never go down that path again... but, the memory tends to be short and the need to get rid of some chin hairs brought Lou Lou face to face once again with a pain that cannot be described any other way than pure torture!

As Lou Lou prepared to purchase a new set of strips, Sister reminded her of the vow to never use those things again. Even still Lou crazily thought it would be "okay" this time.

In Lou Lou's mind, there was no way it could be as bad as the first time... after all, she knew what to expect. Again, the memory can be short at times!

The night after Lou Lou purchased the strips, she mustered the courage to get the job done. This is where she would say mistake one was made, but in truth, mistake one was in buying the strips that could have only been created by the devil himself because no

person that loves humanity would ever create such a device.

So...mistake two...starting with the largest strip in the box! Lou Lou's thought process here was "get more with one snatch of the strip." That might have been a good idea if only she had remembered to place the strip so the pull went against the hair growth!!

Now, this is the point in the story where mistake three was made. Lou Lou positioned the strip in the wrong direction because she failed to read the instructions!! She had done this before...no need to take time to read those things. WRONG!!!

One...two...three...snatch. "In the name of everything holy, what did I just do to myself?!" Lou Lou yelled.

The pain was immediate and immense and a quick look in the mirror revealed the hairs to still be in place!

Then, there was the giggle coming from Sister's bedroom...if Lou Lou didn't know any better, she would be convinced that Sister was enjoying her pain!!

Finally, Lou Lou read the directions and discovered her big mistake. She then finished the job using the correct method, but it took another large strip and a couple of smaller ones to get it done.

Once she had completed the task, Lou Lou had Sister to look to see if she thought the task was indeed complete. Sister did say it looked like Lou Lou had gotten the pesky hairs, but she also enjoyed laughing at Lou Lou a little too much. "Your chin and neck sure are red," Sister said.

"It's because those stupid things are torture devices!" Lou Lou exclaimed.

A few hours later, Lou Lou was still feeling the pain from the "wax procedure" as she apparently irritated the skin on her chin, which resulted in a need for a cold compress.

Long story short now...if you see Lou Lou sometime over the next few days and notice some red blotches on her chin...hold those chuckles until you get away... and remember, wax strips are from the devil!! Just take Cuzin Lou Lou's word on it! Lou Lou's memory is now well reminded!!! Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!!

Windy Thoughts

with Linda Hodge, Editor

We continue to pray for those affected last week by Hurricane Helene. That massive storm left a path of destruction across Florida, Georgia, Tennessee and the Carolina's, and reports were as of this writing that over 130 deaths could be attributed to Helene. Unimaginable! Please join us in praying for all who lost loved ones and/or property.

We have seen photos from the Clearwater Beach area in Florida, and it is not pretty. Having family in that area we have walked along Clearwater Beach several times in our life. It has always been a beautiful place. It will take months of work to restore the beach area to its normal beauty, but we are certain those folks will get it done. And, once they do, Clearwater Beach will again be a treasure to all who know and visit it!

We also have been saddened to hear the reports coming out of Asheville, North Carolina. Flooding caused by Hurricane Helene was massive there, and the famous Biltmore Estate was caught up in this disaster. We visited the Biltmore several years ago with our family, and we still talk about the great experience we had being there and learning of the history of the Vanderbilt family. We hope the damage to the estate was not too bad, and it too can be brought back to life for others to continue to enjoy.

The idea of more inflation got even scarier as the clock struck midnight on Tuesday and union dockworkers from Maine to Texas walked off the job on strike. Thirty-six East and Gulf coast ports shut down as 45,000 union workers walked off the job after labor negotiations stalled between the International Longshoremen's Association (ILA) and the United States Maritime Alliance (USMX). This is the first ILA strike at these ports since 1977. Depending on how long the strike lasts, we could all potentially feel an impact from it including delayed delivery of packages (even into the holidays) and higher costs passed on to consumers. Let's all hope this is resolved sooner rather than later later for all our sakes! On the other hand this might be a good time to make a push for "buy at home" and purchase American made products that only need to be shipped within our own borders. Buying "Made in America" products would definitely be a positive to our own economy rather than a negative!

We heard acting Elba superintendent Ted Watson speak at the Elba Quarterback Club meeting last Friday. His speech only confirmed our thoughts - we really, really like him and wish he had wanted to come out of retirement to take on the job full-time. We even told him that face-to-face! Beyond football, he spoke on finding ways to stay relevant, and he said if he were going to be at Elba for the long-term that would be something he would focus on as the system's leader. We agree with him on the importance of that, and we vow to do what we can to make sure that happens. We hope everyone else that loves the school will join us in doing the same.

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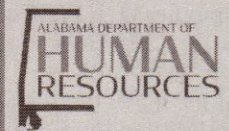
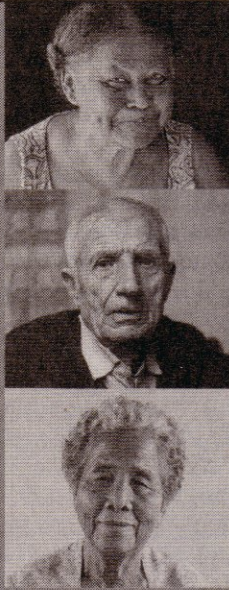
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BOBBIE JEAN WINTERS

Mrs. Bobbie Jean Winters, age 83, of Wetumpka, Ala., died Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2024, at her home in Wetumpka.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Rev. Mike Medley officiating. Burial followed in the Zoar Community Cemetery.

Survivors include her daughter: Sandra (Robert) Tew, Wetumpka; her sons: Randy Herbert (Penny Green) Winters, Elba, and Chris (Dana) Winters, Jack, Ala.; her grandchildren: Michael Kelley II, Wetumpka, Ryan Kelley, Millbrook, Ala., Tiffany Cox, Auburn, Ala., T J Winters, Goshen, Ala., Rae Winters, Elba, Chanse Winters, Enterprise, Ala., Justin Winters, Jack, and Mathew Winters, Montgomery, Ala.; along with 13 great-grandchildren.

OLIVER WILLIAMS

Mr. Oliver Williams, age 94, of Albany, Ga., died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024, at his residence in Albany.

Oliver served his country as part of the Army 82nd Airborne Division, then continued

serving his fellow man as an insurance agent forming lifelong bonds with the families he served. His path made it possible for the family to live in Elba, Ala., for 15 years where the community rallied around the family and loved them in many ways. He then moved to Enterprise, Ala., for 53 years where the family was shown the same love and support. He was a member of the Elba Methodist Church and a member of the First Methodist Church Enterprise and was active member at each church.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024, at First Methodist Church Enterprise, with the Rev. Matthew Jordan, senior pastor, officiating. Burial followed at Meadowlawn Memorial Park Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Methodist Church Library, P. O. Box 311525, Enterprise, AL 36330.

He was preceded in death by his father - Leonard Johnathon

Williams, mother - Julia Caroline Williams, a brother - Robert Tarry Williams, a sister - Velma Caroline Padgett, a son - Michael Oliver Williams, and a daughter-in-law - Joyce Ann Williams.

Survivors include his wife of more than 73 years: Patricia Ann "Pat" Williams, Albany, Ga.; son: Anthony (Julie) Williams, Leesburg, Ga.; grandson: Benjamin (Britton) Williams, Chattanooga, Tenn.; granddaughter: Olivia Williams, Chattanooga; step grandsons: Captain Stone (Allison) Williford, Spanaway, Wash., Slate Williford, Marietta, Ga., Steel Williford, Tifton, Ga.; along with his step great-grandson: Grey Williford, and step great-granddaughter: Sage Williford, both of Spanaway, Wash.

PATRICIA ANN BRUMLEY

Ms. Patricia Ann Brumley, age 77, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024, at Southeast Health in Dothan, Ala. In accordance with her wishes, no formal services will be held. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba is serving the Brumley family.

She was preceded in death by her parents - Artie Mae and Joseph Kindell Bridges, and a

son - Robert Brumley. Survivors include her sons: Tim Roubidoux and Conrad Brumley; daughters: Rhonda Brumley, Phyllis Rea, Debi Hensiek, and Sonja Brumley; and 14 grandchildren.

RACHEL DIAN NORWOOD

Mrs. Rachel Dian Norwood, age 73, of Enterprise, Ala., died Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024, at her home in Enterprise. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Oct. 3, 2024, from First Assembly of God Church at 11 a.m., with Rev. Billy Cardwell officiating. Burial will follow in the Meadowlawn

Memorial Park Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Visitation will be at First Assembly of God Church on Thursday, Oct. 3, from 10-11 a.m.

She was preceded in death by her father - T F Ivey, and mother - Ruth Snell Ivey.

Survivors include her husband: Huey Kelley Norwood, Enterprise; daughter: Michelle Rogers, Window Rock, Ariz.; grandsons: Stephen Rogers, Enterprise, Brandon (Steffi) Rogers, Lexington, S.C.; brother: Joe (Marilyn) Ivey, Enterprise; sisters-in-law: Janice (Harold) Cain and Juanita Norwood; and brother-in-law: Marlon (Dianne) Norwood; along with many nieces and nephews.

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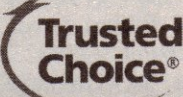
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Helping a Friend in Grief

A friend has experienced the death of someone loved. You want to help, but you are not sure how to go about it. Here are some ways to turn your cares and concerns into positive actions.

Listen with your heart. Helping begins with your ability to be an active listener. Your physical presence and desire to listen without judging are critical helping tools. Don't worry so much about what you will say. Just concentrate on listening to the words that are being shared with you.

Your friend may relate the same story about the death over and over again. Listen attentively each time. Realize this repetition is part of your friend's healing process. Simply listen and understand.

Be compassionate. Give your friend permission to express his or her feelings without fear of criticism. Learn from your friend; don't instruct or set expectations about how he or she should respond. Never say, "I know just how you feel." You don't. Think about your helper role as someone who "walks with," not "behind" or "in front of" the one who is mourning.

Allow your friend to experience all the hurt, sorrow and pain that he or she is feeling at the time. Enter into your friend's feelings, but never try to take them away. And recognize that tears are a natural and appropriate expression of the pain associated with the death.

Understand the uniqueness of grief. Keep in mind that your friend's grief is unique. No one will respond to the death of someone loved in exactly the same way. While it may be possible to talk about similar phases shared by grieving people, everyone is different and shaped by experiences in their own unique lives.

Because the grief experience is also unique, be patient. The process of grief takes a long time, so allow your friend to proceed at his or her own pace. Don't force your own timetable for healing. Don't criticize what you believe is inappropriate behavior. And while you should create opportunities for personal interaction, don't force the situation if your grieving friend resists.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at hayeshf@hayesfuneralhome.net

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness described in and secured by the terms of that certain Mortgage executed by JAMES

CAMPBELL, a married man, and Kimberly V. Campbell, a married person, to ALL IN CREDIT UNION, a federal credit union, dated June 26, 2022, and recorded on July 26, 2022, in Official Records Book 1164, at Page 51, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Geneva County, Alabama; and said default continuing; and the undersigned holder of said mortgage having declared the entire indebtedness due and payable in accordance with the terms and conditions of said mortgage, notice is hereby given that the undersigned, ALL IN CREDIT UNION, will, under the terms of said mortgage, sell at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder in front of the Courthouse door of Geneva County, Alabama, in Geneva, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, the following described property:

A Parcel of land lying in and being a part of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 22 East, Geneva County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a 4"x4" concrete monument marking the Southeast corner of the NW 1/4, of the SW 1/4 of Section 32; Thence S86°39'42"W, a distance of 243.63 feet to a Capped Rebar #27401; Thence S82°42'40"W a distance of 23.77 feet, to a 6"x6" concrete monument; Thence N89°59'07"W, a distance of 186.05 feet to a 6"x6" concrete monument; Thence N89°06'57"W a distance of 400.03 feet to a 1" pipe, and the East Right of Way Line of Geneva County Road 33 (100' Right of Way); Thence along said Right of Way Line N12°37'54"W, a distance of 421.48 feet to a Capped Rebar #9231; Thence departing said Right of Way Line N77°05'23"E, a distance of 209.90 feet to a Capped Rebar #9231; Thence N12°51'29"W, a distance of 209.94 feet to a Capped Rebar #9231; Thence S77°06'17"W, a distance of 210.18 feet to a Capped Rebar #9231, and the Aforementioned East Right of Way Line; Thence along said Right of Way Line N12°56'04"W, a distance of 259.88 feet to a Capped Rebar #27725; Thence departing said Right of Way Line N89°59'56"E, a distance of 1050.16 feet to a Capped Rebar #27725 and the East Line of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4; Thence along said East Line S00°00'04"E, a distance of 858.27 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said Parcel contains 18.00 acres More or Less.

This property will be sold on an as is, where is basis, subject to any easements, encumbrances, and exceptions reflected in the mortgage and those contained in the records of the Office of the Judge of Probate of the county where the above-described property is situated. This property will be sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied as to title, use and/or enjoyment and will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. *Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.* This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid for and purchase the real estate and to credit its purchase price against the expenses of sale and

the indebtedness secured by the real estate. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation; contact H. Samuel Prim, III at the phone number shown below prior to attendance at sale. Dated this the 12th day of September, 2024.

ALL IN CREDIT UNION:
BY: H. Samuel Prim, III
Prim & Mendheim, LLC
Attorney for Mortgagee
103 Jamestown Boulevard
Dothan, Alabama 36302
(334) 671-9555
(File No.: 24-792)
9/19,26&10/3-chg

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Coffee County Water Authority has filed an application with ADEM for State Revolving Loan and American Rescue Funds to construct a new elevated water storage tank and a water supply well. A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 21, at 5:30 P.M. at the office of the utility located at 401 E Davis Street, Elba, AL 36323 to acquaint citizens with the scope of the overall project. There will be a discussion on such items as economic and environmental impact, service area, alternatives, and other issues involving the project.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

CASE NO.: PR-2024-169

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD L. JOHNSON, DECEASED

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Gerald L. Johnson, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or they will be barred. /s/ Theresa Diane Pelfrey Theresa Diane Pelfrey Co-Personal Representative of said Estate /s/ Gerald Lee Johnson, Jr. Gerald Lee Johnson, Jr. Co-Personal Representative of said Estate 9/26,10/3&10-pd.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the contracting of collection of garbage services will be received by the City of Elba, in the meeting room at the City Hall of Elba at 200 Buford Street; Elba, Alabama until 2:00 p.m. Central Standard Time, Monday, October 28, 2024, and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud.

The work generally consists of approximately the following: the collection of garbage services for the City of Elba.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the City Hall Tuesday; October 21, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

To be eligible for consideration, bids must be submitted on complete proposals made available by the Owner. Complete digital project bidding documents are available upon request to Sally Bane, City Clerk at sbane@elbaal.gov. Optional complete paper bid documents are available at Elba City Hall; 200 Buford Street Elba, AL 36323.

All bids shall be submitted using the form provided in the bid packet. Bids not submitted with the form will not be opened. All Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing on the outside the name of the Bidder, Bidder's license number, address and name of the project. Envelopes containing bids must be addressed as follows and delivered to the City Hall of Elba at 200 Buford Street; Elba, Alabama, 36323, "Collection of Garbage Services."

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities, or to reject any or all bids, and to award the contract to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. The successful bidder will be required to submit 100% performance and payment bonds.

Guarantee will be required with each bid for at least 5% of the amount of the bid filed in the form of a certified check, Bid Bond, or irrevocable Letter of Credit acceptable to the owner payable to the City of Elba. Bid Bonds shall include certification that the bonding company is listed in Circular 570 of the U.S. Treasury Department. The name, address, telephone number, and contact person for the bonding company shall also be included. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids.

Tom Maddox

Mayor, City of Elba

9/26,10/3,10&17-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Enterprise Division
CASE NO.: PR-2023-070

IN RE: The estate of MARJORIE I. FARNUM, Deceased.

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Notice to: Barbara Nieten
Address: 10496 S Walden Forest Circle, Homosassa, Florida 34446

Please take notice that a Petition of Personal Representatives for Final Discharge in the above-styled matter has been filed in said Court by Janet Lumley and Linda Zito, Petitioners, and that the 21st day of October, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. has been set for hearing on the same at the Coffee County Courthouse in Enterprise, Alabama. Please by advised that if you intend to contest this, you MUST file a written response within thirty (30) days hereof with counsel for said Petitioners, whose name and address are as shown below and with the Clerk of the said Probate Court. Submitted this 19th day of September, 2024.

/s/ Gary D. Bradshaw
Gary D. Bradshaw (BRA074)

Attorney for Petitioners
P.O. Box 311412
Enterprise, AL 36331-1412
(334) 393-6439
9/26,10/3&10-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

CASE NO.: PR-2024-165

In the Matter of the Estate of Helene Celia Peets, Deceased.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters of Administration for the Estate of Helene Celia Peets having been granted to John C. Accornero, Jr., Personal Representative, on the 18th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred. DONE this the 18th day of September, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge
9/26,10/3&10-pd.

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LEGAL NOTICES (con't from Page 4)**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION****IN THE MATTER OF: The Petition For Adoption By: PATRICIA DAWSON**

To Adopt: J.L.K.
CASE NO. PRA-2024-004

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION TO: SCHIRON WASHINGTON

Notice is hereby given Hon. D. Bruce McLean on behalf of the Petitioner, PATRICIA DAWSON, has filed a Petition for Adoption in the Probate Court of Coffee County, Enterprise Division, Alabama, in regards to J.L.K., date of birth: 12/13/2005. If you should have any reason why this Petition for Adoption should not be granted in this matter, you are required to contact Hon. D. Bruce McLean, Esq., within thirty (30) days if you intend to contest said adoption. DONE this the 23rd day of August, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge
Coffee County, Alabama
9/12,19,26&10/3-pd.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NO: DR-2024-000169.00**LAUREN FREEMAN, PLAINTIFF VS. RICHARD WAYNE LEGER, JR. DEFENDANT.****NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**
To: Richard Wayne Leger, Jr., Whose Whereabouts Are Unknown

You are notified that a Divorce Complaint has been filed in the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Alabama against you and you must answer the same within (30) days of the last publication, which will be the 3rd day of October, 2024, or thereafter a default may be rendered against you.

This the 6th day of September, 2024.
/s/ Lauren Freeman,
Plaintiff
9/12,19,26&10/3-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NO. 24-773**IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM LEX LAWRENCE, DECEASED****NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Brenda Hamamura, Personal Representative, on the 16th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Toby Seay, Judge of Probate, Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA**IN RE: THE ESTATE OF HENRY D. WILLIAMSON, DECEASED CASE NO.: 24-809****NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Mark Williamson, as Executor of the Estate of Henry D. Williamson, who

departed from this life on the 23rd day of July, 2024, by honorable Toby L. Seay, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present same within the time allowed by law or same will be barred.

Mark Williamson
Executor of the Estate of Henry D. Williamson, deceased
Attorney for the Estate:
David W. Rousseau, Esq.
Rousseau Law Firm
Post Office Box 10
801 W. Main Suite 4
Hartford, AL 36344
(334) 588-3333
(334) 588-0046 (fax)
Attorney for Petitioner/
Executor
9/19,26&10/3-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NO. PR-2024-160**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL WALTER POHL, DECEASED.****NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Letters Testamentary of the said Deceased having been granted to Kevin Pohl, Personal Representative, on the 16th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Cameron A. Metcalf,
Attorney for Kevin Pohl,
Personal Representative
9/19,26&10/3-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

CASE NO.: PR-2024-163

In the Matter of the Estate of JOSEPH A. DECURTIS, deceased.**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Joseph A. DeCurtis having been granted to Daniel Louis DeCurtis and Christine DeCurtis Lilly, Personal Representatives, on the 16th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 16th day of September, 2024.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge
9/19,26&10/3-pd.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NO. PR-2024-100****IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNIE JEAN GIBSON, DECEASED.**

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Eura Gibson as Personal Representative for the Annie Jean Gibson Estate on the 16th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate
9/19,26&10/3-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION**In the Matter of the Estate of HELEN FARISON JOHNSTON, Deceased. Case No.: PR-2024-159****NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

Letters Testamentary of the Estate of Helen Farison Johnston having been granted to Mark Allan Johnston, Personal Representative, on the 10th day of September, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 10th day of September, 2024.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge
9/19,26&10/3-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION**IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RENA BASS MARSON, DECEASED CASE NUMBER: PR-2023-100****NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO BE PUBLISHED BY ADMINISTRATOR**

In the Matter of the Estate of Rena Bass Marson, Deceased, Letters of Administration having been granted to Fanetia T. Love on the 14th day of July, 2023, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within six months after the grant of letters, or within five months from the date of the first publication of this notice, whichever is the later to occur, or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 14th day of July, 2023.

By: Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate
Coffee County, Alabama
9/19,26&10/3pd.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that certain Mortgage, executed on November 17, 2021, by Pamela D. Thames and James B. Thames II, Wife and Husband, as Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Union Home Mortgage Corp. as Mortgagee, which said Mortgage is recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Geneva County, Alabama, in OFFREC Book 1133 at Page 430 on November 24, 2021, and subsequently assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC and recorded in OFFREC Book 1225 at Page 44 on April 1, 2024, and Partial Release recorded in OFFREC Book 1245, Page 335 on September 24, 2024; and default having continued under the terms of said Mortgage, and by virtue of Alabama Code Section 35-10-3 and 35-10-2, the following described real property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, during the legal hours of sale, on **November 4, 2024.**

Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 32, Township 2 North, Range 23 East Geneva County, Alabama. Thence South 88°39' 54" East a distance of 1003.28 feet to the East side of County Highway #38 said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said point of beginning thence leaving said road South 88°39' 54" East a distance of 343.21 feet; thence South 01°10' 00" East a distance of 1241.66 feet; thence North 89° 51' 54" West a distance of 1159.68 feet to the East side of County Hwy #38;

thence along said road being a curve to the right having a length of 130.77 feet, a radius of 1406.24 feet, and a chord bearing and distance of North 33° 01' 42" East, 130.73 feet; thence North 34°36' 40" East a distance of 425.57 feet to an existing concrete right of way marker; thence along a curve to the left having a length of 784.11 feet, radius of 7868.11 feet, and a chord bearing and distance of North 31° 53' 54" East, 783.79 feet; thence North 27° 50' 55" East a distance of 137.29 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said parcel lying in and being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 32, Township 2 North, Range 23 East Geneva County, Alabama, and containing 21.02 acres, more or less.

A 30' EASEMENT RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: The SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 32, Township 2, Range 23, and a strip of land 15 yards wide on the east side of the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 32, Township 2, Range 23, lying and being situated in Geneva County, Alabama. Said parcel being identified as tax assessment number 34-12-09-32-0-000-010.000.

ALSO: Thirty acres in the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 5, Township 1, Range 23 lying North of the Geneva and Hartford Highway, LESS AND EXCEPT beginning at the intersection of the North line of said forty and the East right-of-way line of the Geneva-Newton Road, thence East 348 feet; thence South 375 feet; thence West 348 feet; thence North 375 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel being identified as tax assessment number 34-17-03-05-0-000-003.000.

LESS & EXCEPT by Partial Release recorded September 24, 2024 in OFFREC Book 1245, Page 335. ALSO: Thirty acres in the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 5, Township 1, Range 23 lying North of the Geneva and Hartford Highway, LESS AND EXCEPT beginning at the intersection of the North line of said forty and the East right-of-way line of the Geneva-Newton Road, thence East 348 feet; thence South 375 feet; thence West 348 feet; thence North 375 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel being identified as tax assessment number 34-17-03-05-0-000-003.000.

Subject to all easements, restrictions and reservations appearing of record. Said sale will also be made subject to any Federal Tax Liens and/or Special Assessments of any nature, if any, which might adversely affect the title to the property.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. The property is being sold "as is, where is." Said property is sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied as to title, use or enjoyment.

This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation.

Kent D. McPhail
McPhail Sanchez, LLC
Counsel for Mortgagee/
Transferee
126 Government Street
Mobile, AL 36602
251-438-2333
9/26,10/3&10-chg.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that certain Mortgage, executed on August 20, 2010, by

Thomas Alton Boyles, unmarried and Carol Lee Delaney, unmarried, as Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Embrace Home Loans, Inc. as Mortgagee, which said Mortgage is recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Geneva County, Alabama, in OFFREC Book 735 at Page 491 on August 31, 2010, and Modified in OFFREC Book 879, Page 233 recorded on March 17, 2015 and subsequently assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC and recorded in OFFREC Book 988 at Page 187 on April 24, 2018, and default having continued under the terms of said Mortgage, and by virtue of Alabama Code Section 35-10-3 and 35-10-2, the following described real property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, during the legal hours of sale, on **November 12, 2024.**

The land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Geneva, State of Alabama in Deed Book 375 at Page 192 and is described as follows:

Lots 1 and 2, Block A, Jordan Subdivision, as shown on plat of same as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 114, Office of the Judge of Probate, Geneva County, Alabama, together with all improvements situated thereon.

Subject to all easements, restrictions and reservations appearing of record. Said sale will also be made subject to any Federal Tax Liens and/or Special Assessments of any nature, if any, which might adversely affect the title to the property.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION CASE NO.: PR-2024-164**In the Matter of the Estate of BETTY D. MILLS, Deceased.****NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Betty D. Mills having been granted to James Mark Mills and Martha Elaine Mills Tuck,

Personal Representatives, on the 18th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 18th day of September, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge
9/26,10/3&10-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION CASE NO.: PR-2024-161**IN RE: THE ESTATE OF Edwina S. Vaughn, Deceased.****NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

Letters Testamentary of Edwina S. Vaughn, deceased, having been granted to Charles G. Vaughn, Personal Representative, on the 17th day of September, 2024, by the Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson,
Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama
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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION CASE NO.: PR-2024-131**In the Matter of the Estate of Jason Javell McKenzie, Deceased.****NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Barbara Jones McKenzie, Personal Representative, on the 30th day of September, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 30th day of September, 2024.
/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson,
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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The country music group Alabama had a song many years ago entitled 'Angels Among Us,' and my youngest daughter Melanie believes her young son Cannon has a guardian angel in a stray cat that has made itself at home in their back yard. She says the cat will sit and wait outside for Cannon to come out, and will then follow him wherever he goes, whether it is just in the yard, across the street or even on a long walk. The cat lets him pick it up, carry it around like a sack of flour and will sit at his feet when he sits on the porch. I have always believed pets are members of the family, and it sounds like the family is indeed blessed with its newest addition.

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Tigers began growing teeth last week in a battle against the Goshen Eagles and at times looked like the Tiger teams of old as they surprised the tenth-ranked Eagles 47-34 for their third straight win. The Elba offense got in its own way a few times in the first half with penalties and a turnover, but still managed to score two touchdowns to go in tied at the half, and then in the second half scored on five straight possessions and wore down the Goshen defense to run away with the impressive win. Elba rushed for almost 500 yards in the win with three runners combining for 37 carries, and while it failed to complete a pass, the running attack took charge and lit up the scoreboard. The Tiger defense did allow 34 points, which is still more than the coaches, players and fans expect. However, the defense came up with three turnovers for the second straight game and for the first time in weeks delivered some hits that knocked opponents out of the game for a couple of plays. Don't let the points allowed fool ya, the Tiger defense took a step forward and is improving just at the right time. It was an exciting win for all the Elba fans and has everyone fired up that bigger and better wins are on the way!

*** It was a pretty good week for teams in the area as Kinston and New Brockton both posted big wins, while Brantley suffered its second straight homefield loss. Here is a quick look back.... * Kinston pulled away from a one-point deficit in the third quarter with 36 unanswered points to blast Samson 63-27 as three runners eclipsed the 100-yard mark rushing and the Bulldogs went over the 60-point barrier for the second time in the season. The run-happy Bulldogs still have a slim chance at making the playoffs, but I guarantee you they still believe they can make it and will fight until the final horn sounds in the final game... * New Brockton made the long ride to Monroeville for a clash with Monroe County and did what it took to bring home a 30-7 win and get back on track. The Gamecocks are a dangerous team that is much better than their record indicates and may still have a few surprises up their sleeves in the weeks to come.... * Brantley gave up over fifty points for the second straight week in a 56-6 loss to 2A power Highland Home and all of the sudden has given its opponents hope that maybe the 'Dogs aren't quite as good as many thought. Those folks are just fooling themselves; however, because Brantley is a very dangerous team that no one in the 1A ranks really wants to play.

*** Some of the most anticipated games of the season were cancelled last week due to the hurricane that skirted the state, including such match-ups such as Central Phenix City vs. IMG Academy, Glenwood vs. Wadley and Saraland vs. Montgomery Catholic, but there were still some really big games in the 7A ranks where Hoover was knocked off by Parker 14-10 and Thompson lost to Clay-Chalkville 14-13, in overtime, while perhaps the biggest surprise of the season was Central Coosa's 29-2 win over two-time defending state champ Fyffe. Here is a look back at the week in all classes.... **Class 1A** – Second-ranked Leroy wiped out Washington County 45-14 and third-ranked Hackleburg evicted Phil Campbell 42-12, while #4 Maplesville, #7 Brantley and #8 Georgiana all lost.... **Class 2A** – Top-ranked Pisgah routed Randolph 29-0 and second-ranked Highland Home blasted Brantley 56-6, while #4 Cottonwood surprised 6A Rehobeth 32-21 and #7 Reeltown rolled to a 34-6 win over Dadeville.... **Class 3A** – Top-ranked T.R. Miller posted an impressive 28-14 win over UMS-Wright and #3 Fyffe was stunned by 2A Coosa Christian 29-2 **Class 4A** – Top-ranked Jackson Grove blanked Anniston 30-0, while #7 B.T. Washington got roughed up by Bowdon, Georgia 42-18 and #10 Mobile Christian lost to Saint Stanislaus, Mississippi 28-25.... **Class 5A** – Third-ranked Central Clay County went to 6-0 with a 35-21 win over Scottsboro and #10 Williamson mauled Murphy 47-0, while #4 Leeds lost to Briarwood 31-14.... **Class 6A** – Second-ranked Clay-Chalkville shocked 7A power Thompson 14-13, third-ranked Spain Park whipped 7A James Clemens 34-24 and #4 Parker humbled 7A Hoover 14-10, while #7 Homewood lost to Mt. Brook 27-22.... **Class 7A** – It wasn't the best of weeks for the big boys as three ranked teams lost to 6A opponents. A couple of other scores that caught my eye included Florala getting a big road win over Bayshore Christian 45-14, Andalusia rallying once

again to get past Beauregard 28-27, Carroll getting win #1 over Pike County 24-17, Dale County getting a 28-12 win over county-rival Arifton, Luverne getting roughed up by Montgomery Academy 36-8, Opp staying unbeaten with a 39-0 win over Destin, Florida, Pike Lib rolling over Notasulga 35-6 and Geneva remaining winless with a 10-0 loss to Slocomb.

*** It wasn't the best of weeks for many college fans in the state as Auburn lost at home for the third time this season in a 27-21 loss to Oklahoma as the nightmare at Jordan-Hare continued and Troy slipped to 1-4 with a shocking 13-9 homefield loss to ULM. For Coach Hugh Freeze and his Tigers it was the second straight week they found a way to lose a game they should have won and a game in which they missed a chance to make a statement after a slow start that had even the most devote 'WDE' fans scratching their heads. As for the Trojans, I went to the game and was shocked at how the Troy offense never really threatened to reach the endzone against a team that was average at best, despite rushing for over 200 yards, and it may be true that they simply aren't a very good team. Now for the good among all the bad and ugly, despite blowing a big 30-7 halftime lead, Alabama recovered and managed to knock off #1 Georgia 41-34 in a contest that showed the entire football world what the SEC is all about. The Crimson Tide have just enough stars to be a threat to win every game they play, no matter the opponent, but also have the inexperience to lose almost any game they play, as was shown Saturday night. On Saturday night the red hats that had MAGA embroidered on them may have meant "Make Alabama Great Again."

*** Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator looked a little sleepy when he dropped by over the weekend and admitted that he stayed up too late watching the Alabama game, and then staying up even later to watch the highlights. He did sound a little excited when asked about Elba's win over 2A Goshen and said the Tigers are finally beginning to look like a team that can make a run in post-season play. Only time will tell about the Tigers, but the local guesspert did hit on 20 of his 25 picks last week. So, I guess he may know a little about high school football. Okay, here is this week's fearless forecast....

ELBA VS. RED LEVEL

The Pea River felines will head through the woods this weekend for a big region battle and may find themselves in a catfight with a litter of kitties that hang around the city park just across the railroad tracks in Red Level. On paper this one looks like an easy win, but so far this season nothing has come easy for the felines.

ELBA 40 RED LEVEL 18

KINSTON VS. FLORALA

The bulldogs from down near the county line will play host to a litter of kitties from down near the state line and are looking to chase the kitties back home after pulling off a huge region upset. The 'dogs have proven they can score points, which means they will have to make some stops on defense to scare away the kitties.

FLORALA 44 KINSTON 38

BRANTLEY VS. GEORGIANA

The bulldogs from up across the creek may actually be happy to leave the pound after getting caged two weeks in

a row, and will get the chance to jump back in the region race against a litter of kitties that have left claw marks on just about everyone. These 'dogs can win on any given week against any given opponent, but this looks like a tough task.

GEORGIANA 38 BRANTLEY 36

NEW BROCKTON VS. GENEVA

The fighting birds from over near the bypass were crowing loudly when they made it back to town last weekend after a big win and this week will be back on the road looking to claim a much needed region win over a litter of kitties that are starving for a win. It won't be easy, but it looks like the start of a winning streak.

NEW BROCKTON 26 GENEVA 20

ZION CHAPEL VS. PIKE LIB

The troops from up at Fort Jack will make the short hike up to T-Town this weekend hoping to get a much-needed win in a battle atop a hill overlooking the four lane. While the troops never back down from a fight and have proven they are capable of winning against any foe, this week looks like a hard fought road loss.

PIKE LIB 24 ZION CHAPEL 14

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Travel to Red Level

Elba Tigers jump back into region wars

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The Elba Tigers will be looking for their fourth straight win and looking to keep their region title hopes alive Friday night when they travel to Covington County to battle the Red Level Tigers, in a key region match-up.

"Red Level is much better than its record indicates and will be playing at home, which is always an advantage," said Elba's Coach Marc Sieving. "We have been on a roll in recent weeks and had a big win last week over a very good 2A opponent in Goshen. However, all of that means nothing this week as we get back into region play, and we will go into the game looking for Red Level to play its best game of the season."

Elba got off to a slow 1-2 start with a season opening win over Luverne 50-22 and back-to-back homefield losses to Glenwood 49-22 and McKenzie 80-78, but has won three straight games over Kinston 68-28,

Brantley 57-53 and Goshen 48-34 and will head back into region play with a 2-1 slate.

Red Level will enter the game with a 2-3 record with wins over J.F. Shields 45-8 and Pleasant Home 41-7, and losses to Kinston 38-0, Brantley 48-14 and Lafayette 56-8.

"Red Level is well coached and has a solid plan on both sides of the ball," added Sieving. "On offense it has a good quarterback and a shifty runner than can both make big plays, and runs an offense similar to Kinston. It does a good job running the ball on the corners and has an effective passing game. Its offense is the kind that has given us problems at times this season and we know we will have to play well on defense. Over on defense, Red Level has some kids that love to run to the football and hit folks. It has given up some points at times, but plays hard and never backs down.

Red Level has a good team that will be ready for us Friday night and we will have to play our best on both sides of the ball to be successful and keep showing improvement."

When asked about last week's 47-34 win over Goshen, Coach Sieving stated, "I am proud of the team for how hard they played on both sides of the ball against a really quality opponent. We made some mistakes we will work on this week, but overall it was a great win and a win we needed against a good team. The offense was physical up front and put points on the scoreboard, while the defense got after it, and even though it gave up some big plays, showed improvement. It was a team

win and one that should give the players a shot of confidence as we head into four straight weeks of region play."

"Back a few weeks ago things didn't look very good for us," added Sieving. "but the players and coaches have really worked hard to improve in all areas and I think it shows how dedicated everyone in the program is to help make the team the best it can be. We know we still have a lot of work to do if we are going to reach the goals we set back before the season started, and also know that we have four region games left on the schedule that will determine what happens next. I am looking forward to the next four weeks."

WEEKLY SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, Oct. 3

(Volleyball)

Elba at McKenzie JV-V (4:30)
Kinston at Opp JR-JV-V (4:00)

New Brockton at Zion Chapel JR-JV-V (4:00)
Pleasant Home at Brantley JR-JV-V (4:00)

Monday, Oct. 7

(Volleyball)

Luverne at Zion Chapel V (4:00)

Straughn at Brantley JR-JV-V (4:00)
Tri-Match, at New Brockton

4:00 – Goshen vs. Arifton

5:00 – New Brockton vs. Goshen

6:00 – New Brockton vs. Arifton

(JV Football)

Pike Lib at Elba (6:00)
Goshen at Zion Chapel (6:00)

Brantley at Pleasant Home (6:00)
New Brockton Middle at Opp (5:00)
New Brockton JV at Opp (6:30)

(JV Basketball)

Holmes County at Kinston (Girls) 5:00

Tuesday, Oct. 8

(Volleyball)

Elba at Kinston JV-V (4:30)


Brantley at Pleasant Home JR-JV-V (4:00)

Pike County at New Brockton V (5:00)

(JV Basketball)

Kinston at Samson Girls/Boys (4:30)

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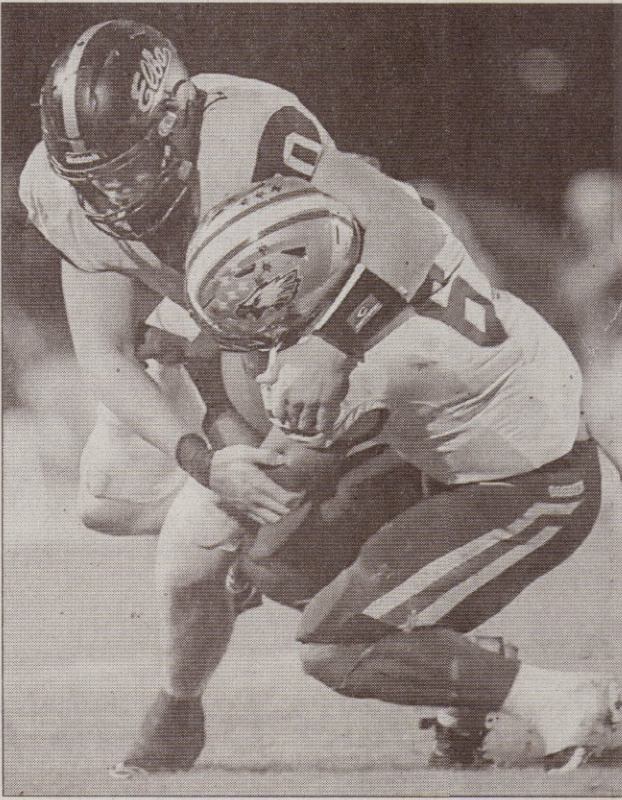
SPORTS NEWS



Elba Tiger Emmanuel Cooks (62) gets a well deserved break during a time-out in last week's 48-34 homefield win over Goshen.



Elba Tiger Jerrod Anderson (1) comes up to make the tackle on a Goshen runner in last week's big 48-34 win over the Eagles.



Elba Tiger Cayden Adkins (10) stops a Goshen runner in his tracks after a big hit in last week's 48-34 win over the Eagles.

Tigers surprise Goshen 48-34

By: Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by: BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers scored on five straight possessions in the second half to pull ahead and never looked back in an exciting 48-34 upset win over the Goshen Eagles, Friday night on a soggy Mack Wood Field.

Goshen opened the game with a bang when Tyler McClendon returned the opening kickoff 84 yards for a touchdown, and after Zion Picatoste added the extra-point, the Eagles were on top 7-0 with just 13-seconds gone off the clock.

Elba saw an apparent 24-yard touchdown run by Alvin Henderson wiped out by a penalty flag on its initial possession and the Tigers came away empty-handed after a fourth down fumble, but the Tigers regained possession at their own 20-yardline following a missed field goal attempt, and it took Elba only two plays to cover the 80 yards into the endzone as Jacob Ledbetter took an inside handoff, broke a tackle at the line of scrimmage and raced 74 yards for a touchdown. Trai Davis kicked the extra-point, and with 2:39 left in the first quarter the score was tied at 7-7.

Elba's Emmanuel Cooks recovered an Eagle fumble near midfield early in the second quarter and from there it took the Tigers only one play to cash in the turnover as on first down Alvin Henderson took a direct snap and scampered 58 yards for his first touchdown of the night. Davis added the extra-point as Elba moved on top 14-7 with 10:53 left in the second quarter.

Goshen began its ensuing drive at midfield and went 50 yards in eight plays to pull even. A 25-yard run by Jayden McNabb was a big play in the scoring drive,

while Szemerick Andrews got the score on a 13-yard run, and after Picatoste added the extra-point the score was again tied, this time at 14-14 with 5:36 remaining in the half.

Elba received the second half kickoff and quickly went 62 yards in just three plays to regain the lead. A 58-yard run by Alvin Henderson was a key play in the long scoring drive, while Cayden Adkins capped the drive with a 2-yard touchdown run. Trai Davis booted the extra-point as Elba went back on top 21-14 only 55-seconds into the third quarter.

Goshen again had an answer for the Tiger touchdown as the Eagles marched 68 yards in nine plays on their ensuing possession to pull even. Jayden McNabb rushed for 40 yards on six carries and passed for 11 yards to spark the scoring drive, and it was McNabb that scored the Eagle td on a 4-yard dash. Picatoste's extra-point was true, and with 6:54 left in the quarter the score was tied once again, this time at 21-21.

Elba put the ball in play at its own 34-yardline to begin its next offensive series and went 66 yards in three plays to regain the lead. The Tiger touchdown came on a 64-yard gallop by Alvin Henderson, and Davis kicked the extra-point to put Elba back on top 28-21 with 5:19 left in the quarter.

Goshen began its next possession at its own 28-yardline and kept the scoring parade alive as the Eagles drove 72 yards in six plays to get back into the endzone. The drive was aided by 30 yards in penalties against Elba, with the score coming on a 29-yard touchdown toss from McNabb to McClendon. The extra-point sailed wide however, and with 2:02 left in the wild third quarter the Tigers owned a slim 28-27 lead.

Elba began its next series at its own 39-yardline and continued its assault against the Eagle defense as the Tigers went 61 yards in 10 plays to extend its lead. Alvin Henderson rushed for 54 yards on six carries and capped the scoring drive with a 24-yard scoring scamper, and while the extra-point try failed, the Tigers were on top 34-27 with 8:09 left in the fourth quarter.

Elba's Trai Davis recovered a Goshen fumble on the ensuing kickoff at the Eagle 44-yardline and from there it took the Tigers only three plays to cash in the turnover. Alvin Henderson rushed for 43 yards on two carries, while Cayden Adkins scored the touchdown on a 1-yard run. Davis added the extra-point, and with 6:11 left on the clock Elba' lead had grown to 41-27.

Goshen wasn't about to go down without a fight and on its ensuing possession went 66 yards in eight plays to cut into the Elba advantage. Jayden McNabb completed two passes for 28 yards and rushed for 38 yards on five carries, including a 1-yard scoring run, to keep the Eagle hopes alive, and Picatoste added the extra-point as Goshen pulled within 41-34 with 3:27 still left on the clock.

Elba began its ensuing possession near midfield after an unsuccessful on-sides kick attempt and iced the win by going 48 yards in five plays to get back into the endzone on its fifth straight series. A 10-yard run by Cayden Adkins on a fourth down and three play kept the drive alive early, while Alvin Henderson scored his fourth touchdown of the night on a 31-yard dash down the sidelines. Davis was true with the extra-point, and with 1:20 remaining on the clock the scoring had finally ended with the Tigers on top

48-34. Alvin Henderson rushed for 342 yards and 4 touchdowns on 24 carries to lead Elba, while Jacob Ledbetter added 85 yards and one td on three carries and Cayden Adkins rushed for 34 yards and 2 td's on ten carries.

Jayden McNabb was a one-man show for Goshen as he rushed for 182 yards and 2 touchdowns on 30 carries and completed 7 of 15 passes for 107 yards. Szemerick Andrews added 48 yards and one td on eight carries and Tyler McClendon caught 4 passes for 76 yards and one td and also returned a kickoff 84 yards for a score.

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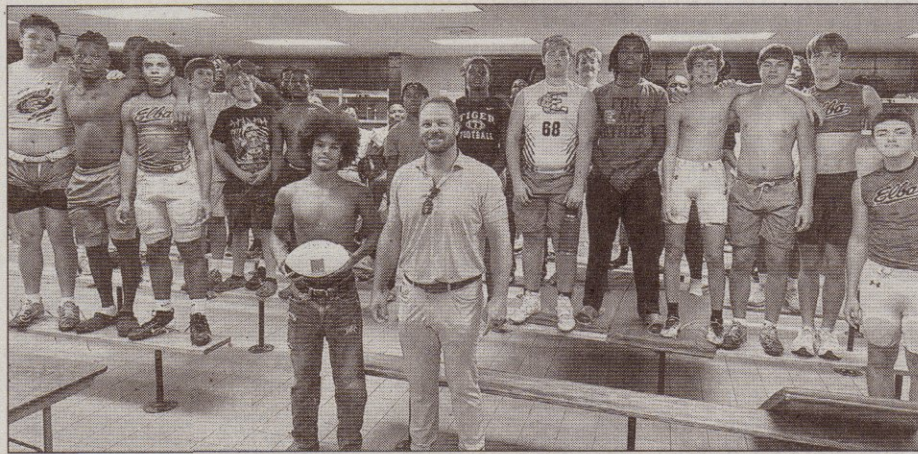


Elba Tiger Alvin Henderson (2) eyes room to run in last week's win over Goshen. Henderson rushed for 342 yards and 4 touchdowns in the win that upped the Tigers record to 4-2.

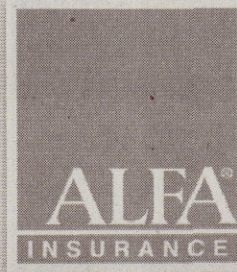


Elba Marching Tiger Band performed during pregame and halftime ceremonies Friday night and wowed the crowd with its performance. On Saturday, the band traveled to Rehoboth to participate in a band festival where it brought home superior ratings.

Elba Tigers Player of the Week



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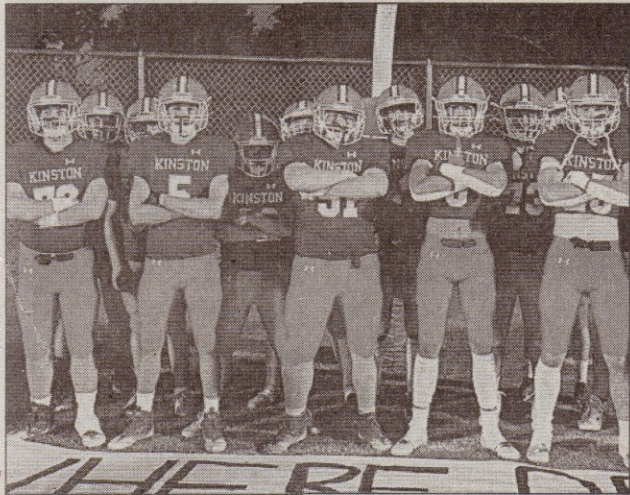
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Kinston Bulldogs were ready to put on a show last week prior to their big 63-27 homecoming win over the Samson Tigers.

In 63-27 win over Samson

Bulldogs break out of the pound

Statistics by, W.J. Adcock

The Kinston Bulldogs exploded for the final 36 points of the game to send a large homecoming crowd home happy with a wild 63-27 win over the Samson Tigers.

Samson jumped out to an early 6-0 lead on a 16-yard pass from Chase Ray to Tyler Lamb and upped its lead to 14-0 with 3:14 remaining in the first quarter on a 2-yard run by Benjamin McKenzie and a two-point run by Kelin Hornsby.

Kinston pulled within 14-6 early in the second quarter when Gabriel Hataway broke loose on a 50-yard scoring scamper, and then cut the Samson lead to 14-12 with 5:00 remaining in the quarter when Hataway scored again, this time on an 18-yard run.

The Bulldogs took their first lead of the night at 20-14 with 1:03 left on a 3-yard run and a two-point conversion by Colby Tew. However, the Tigers came right back and regained the lead with 26-seconds remaining in the half on a 37-yard pass from Ray to J.T. Yarbrough and the extra-point by Abraham Vazquez to carry a 21-20 advantage into halftime.

Kinston moved back on top 28-21 on its initial possession of the third quarter on a 2-yard run and a two-point conversion by Colby Tew, only to see Samson answer with a 58-yard touchdown toss from Ray to Hornsby as the Tigers pulled within 28-27 with 6:24 left in the quarter.

Kinston scored on its ensuing possession on a 13-yard dash by Lucas McCollough and added a two-point run by Brant McCollough to increase its lead to 36-27, and



Kinston Homecoming Court was ready to watch a big win as they took the field prior to last week's win to help lead the Bulldogs.

then added a score with 30-seconds left in the quarter on a 69-yard run by McCollough and again added the two-point conversion on a McCollough run as the Bulldogs carried a 44-27 lead into the final stanza.

Whitt Floyd picked off a Samson pass early in the fourth quarter and returned it 76 yards to push the Bulldogs lead to 50-27, and the lead grew to 56-27 with 6:29 left on the clock when Hataway scored on a 4-yard run.

The Bulldogs closed the scoring with 2:23 remaining on a 2-yard run by Jon Simmons, and Marcus Free kicked the extra-point as Kinston celebrated the big 63-27 homecoming win.

Kinston, which rushed for 451 yards and went over the '500-yard' mark in total offense, was led on the ground by Gabriel Hataway with 165 yards and 3 touchdowns on 12 carries, Colby Tew with 133 yards and 2 touchdowns on 22 carries, and Brant McCollough with 100 yards and 1 td on eight carries.

The Bulldog defense was led by Whit Floyd with 7 tackles, including 3 solo stops, and a 79-yard interception return for a touchdown; Jon Simmons with 5 tackles, including 4 solo stops; Colby Tew with 3 tackles and 2 quarterback sacks; and, Gabriel Hataway and Marcus Free, both with fumble recoveries.

Chase Ray led the Samson offense with 323 yards and 3 touchdowns passing, while Kelin Hornsby rushed for 92 yards and had 166 yards in receptions. The Tiger defense was led by Lonnie Miller with 15 tackles and a fumble recovery, and Ben McKenzie with 14 tackles.

Area High School FOOTBALL PREVIEW

The region wars will swing back into action this week all across the state, and for teams in the area the week brings with it key region match-ups as teams begin to look ahead for a path into the playoffs.

Following is a preview of this week's games:

Floral at Kinston

The Kinston Bulldogs will be looking to even their region record at 2-2 Friday night when they host the Floral Wildcats. Floral leads the all-time series 21-5, has won five of the last six meetings and last season posted a 53-3 win.

Kinston will bring a 2-4 record into the match-up with wins over Red Level 38-0 and Samson 63-27, while losing to Zion Chapel 27-20, Geneva County 72-62, Elba 68-28 and Georgiana 48-0. Floral will enter the game with a 4-2 record, with wins over Monroe County 31-25, Daleville 30-14, Pleasant Home 48-0 and Bayshore Christian 45-14, and losses to Georgiana 40-8 and McKenzie 32-24.

Brantley at Georgiana

The Brantley Bulldogs will be looking to snap a two-game losing streak and give their region title hopes a boost Friday night when they hit the road for a region encounter with the Georgiana Panthers. Georgiana leads the all-time series 24-15-2, and while the two longtime rivals have split the last ten meetings, Georgiana win last season 26-0.

Brantley will bring a 3-2 record into the clash with wins over Luverne 40-24, Pleasant Home 39-0 and Red Level 48-14, and losses to Elba 57-53 and Highland Home 56-6. Georgiana will enter the game with a 4-1 record, with wins over Ariton 30-14, Floral 40-8, McKenzie 48-24 and Kinston 48-0, and a loss to Sweet Water 57-34.

New Brockton at Geneva

The New Brockton Gamecocks will be looking to grab their second region win of the season and start a winning streak Friday night when they hit the road for a key region clash with the Geneva Panthers. This will be the first meeting ever between the new region rivals.

New Brockton will carry a 2-4 record into the road clash with wins over Daleville 53-21 and Monroe County 30-7, and losses to Pike Lib 35-6, Slocomb 40-34, Opp 30-27 and Dale County 49-0. Geneva will bring an 0-5 record into the game with losses to Wicksburg 45-20, Pike County 21-15, Ashford 44-7, Straughn 28-7 and Slocomb 10-0.

Zion Chapel at Pike Lib

The Zion Chapel Rebels will be looking to keep their slim playoff hopes alive Friday night when they travel to Troy for a region showdown with the Pike Liberal Arts Patriots. Zion Chapel owns a 1-0 series edge after being awarded a forfeit last season.

Zion Chapel, which is coming off an open date, will bring a 2-3 record into the contest with wins over Kinston 27-20 and Ellwood Christian 36-0, and losses to Goshen 44-21, Highland Home 63-0 and Luverne 41-20. Pike Lib will bring a 5-1 record into the game with wins over New Brockton 35-6, Samson 40-0, Calhoun 40-0, Barbour County 61-12 and Notasulga 35-6, and a lone loss to Luverne 22-14.

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New Brockton Gamecocks were ready to hit the field last week in their 30-7 win over Monroe County. this week the Gamecocks will battle Geneva in a key region encounter.

'Brockton tames Tigers 30-7

Statistics by, Brandon White

The New Brockton Gamecocks got back on track Friday night with a solid 30-7 road win over the Monroe County Tigers, in Monroeville.

The Gamecocks came out ready to play after the long bus ride and scored on their first two series to jump out to a 12-0 first quarter advantage.

The first score came after a three-play, 70-yard drive that was climaxed by a 58-yard touchdown toss from Dawson Peacock to Baylon Foster with 6:32 left in the quarter, while the second score came when Peacock broke loose and raced 79 yards into the endzone to put New Brockton on top 12-0 with 52-seconds still remaining in the stanza.

Monroe County got on the scoreboard with 4:10 left in the second quarter on an 11-yard run by Jermaine Bullard to pull within 12-7, but the Gamecocks got a break late in the quarter when the Tigers fumbled a punt near midfield, and played beat the clock to extend their lead.

New Brockton's Dawson Peacock connected on five straight passes for 29 yards following the Tiger turnover, and hooked up with Baylon Foster from one-yard out as the horn sounded as the Gamecocks went in at intermission with an 18-7 lead.

The Gamecocks saw an apparent 90-yard kickoff return by Foster erased by a penalty flag to open the second half, but were able to extend their lead late in the half after a defensive stand near midfield as they went 50 yards in four plays to reach the endzone. A 29-yard pass from Peacock to Foster was a key play in the scoring drive, while the score came on a 12-yard run by Peacock as New Brockton upped its lead to 24-7 with 17-seconds left in the third quarter.

New Brockton's final points of the night came following a short Monroe County punt that set the Gamecocks up near midfield, and came when Peacock again found Foster open and made the connection on a 43-yard touchdown toss to push the 'Brockton lead to 30-7 with 10:15 still left in the final quarter.

Dawson Peacock completed 12 of 15 passes for 133 yards and two touchdowns and rushed for 85 yards and two touchdowns on five carries to spark the New Brockton offensive attack, while Baylon Foster rushed for 80 yards and one td on three carries and pulled in 5 passes for 85 yards and two scores.

The Gamecocks defense was led by Bryant Crumpler with 9 tackles and 1 sack, Bradyn Crumpler with 5 tackles and 1 sack, Kaiden Sims with 4 tackles and 2 sacks, Kylan Radcliffe with 3 tackles and 1 sack, and James Downing with 2 tackles and a pass interception.

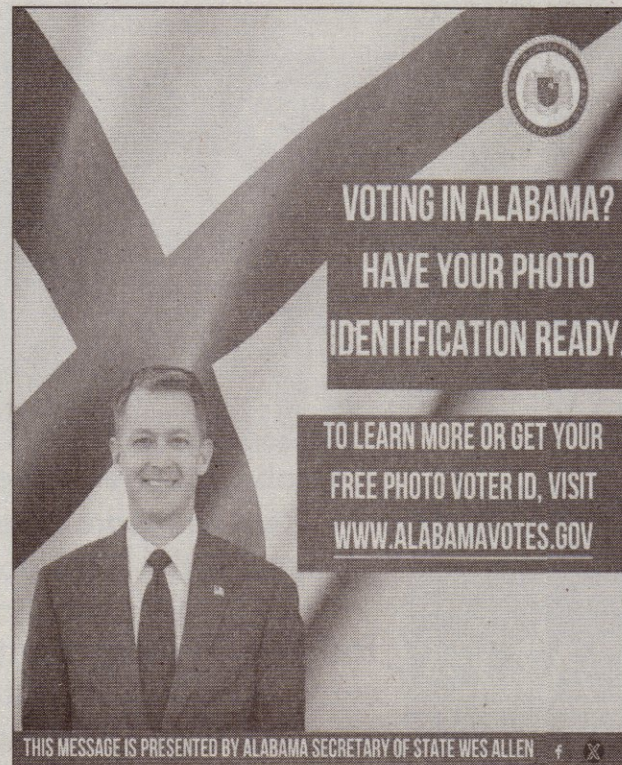
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SPORTS NEWS

With Zion Chapel alum Avery Padgett on the team
Troy University Bass Fishing team begins 2024-2025 season with goal of finishing in Top 25 of all colleges

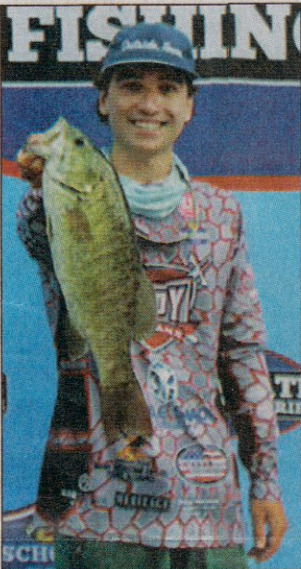
The Troy University Bass Fishing Team has begun its 2024-2025 odyssey.

The team members ventured to Kentucky Lake, Paris, Tenn., for their first two-day tournament September 21, 22.

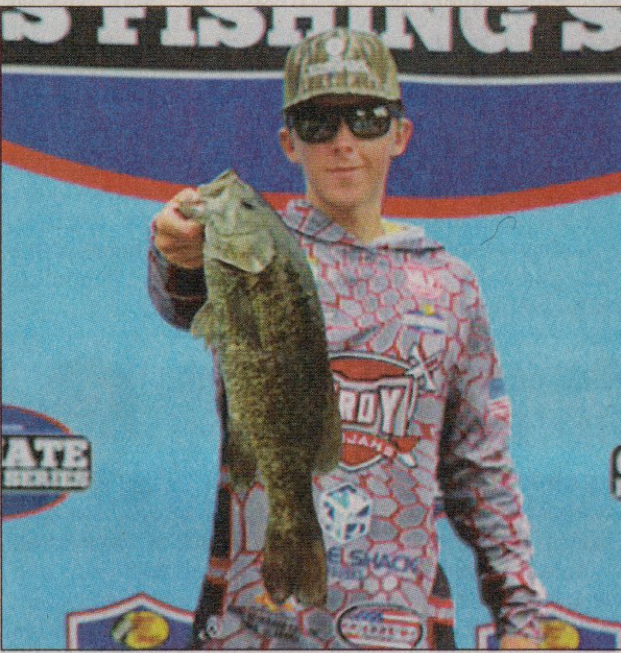
Kentucky Lake, a magnet for fishermen, is a mainstream reservoir on the Tennessee River. It is the lowermost of nine reservoirs that stair step their way down the Tennessee River from eastern Tennessee.

It was impounded by the completion of the Kentucky Dam in 1944. The dam backs up 160,000 acres of water, which is the largest of TVA reservoirs.

The Association of Collegiate Anglers hosted the first event of the 2025 campaign, its historic 20th season. The Bass Pro Shop Big Bass presented by Berkley contested with almost 600 top anglers from colleges all over the nation competing. They competed in hopes of claiming their share of the over \$40,000 in prizes and contingencies on the line, as well as double points to count towards the Bass Pro Shop School of the Year presented by Abu Garcia.



Troy University's Fischer Barber made the day one first session Top 10 for weigh-in on Kentucky Lake.



Troy University's Avery Padgett made the Top Ten on the day one fourth session weigh-in with this bass during the Sept. 21-22 tourney on Kentucky Lake in Paris, Tenn.

On day one of the event there were four weigh-in sessions for the top biggest bass: 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, and 3:00. Session one, Troy University's Fischer Barber was in the top ten; only the ones in the top ten receive money/contingencies.

On day one session four, Troy's Avery Padgett, an Elba, Ala. native, made the top ten. Others caught fish but did not make the top ten.

Sorry, no top finishers on day two. Although they did not make it to the top 10, other team members who weighed in big bass included Ridge Faircloth, Max Hondorp, and Kasen Pemberton.

Padgett declared it was a good tournament compared to last year. The top finishers gave the team some good SOY points (School of the year). Their goal is to finish in the top 25 of all colleges across the United States.

Since Troy has added three new teams, this enables them to secure more SOY points. It has been almost ten years since Troy University even placed in the top twenty-five.

As the Troy University Bass Fishing Team continues their odyssey, they will journey to Auburn October 4-6 for the 2024 Nitro Boats NSANE Tournament, hosted by the Logan Parks Fishing Foundation and presented by Abu Garcia. They will be fishing in Lake Martin.



Gymnasium Court at Kinston named for Amelia S. Rhoades...Last month, prior to the start of the 40th Annual Amelia S. Rhoades Set Off Volleyball Tournament hosted by Kinston School, former teacher/coach Amelia S. "Rhodi" Rhoades was honored with the schools gymnasium court being named after her. Many former players were in attendance for this special occasion. Over the years while coaching volleyball at Kinston, team led by Rhoades earned five state-runner-up trophies - 1985, 1987, 1988, 1989, and 1998. In 1997, her ultimate dream came true when she led her team to a State Championship win in volleyball. Her Lady 'Dawgs finished that season with an astonishing record of 47-8. Three players were named to the State All-Tournament Team, and one was named State MVP for the season. In addition, Rhoades was named Alabama's Volleyball Coach of the Year by the Birmingham News for Classes 1A-6A, in 1997. To date, Rhoades remains the most successful volleyball coach at Kinston High School with 807 wins. Above, Rhoades looks over her name as it was unveiled on the court inside the Kinston gym while former players, family and friends share in the special moment for Rhoades. Currently, the Kinston volleyball program is being led by Rhoades' daughters, Suzanne and Tiffany.

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Pastor's Corner

by Rev. Ken Wilson, Westside Baptist Church

"The Day I Met The Bear"

When I was fourteen years old my dad took me to the Jefferson county chapter of the University of Alabama Alumni Association's annual football banquet in Birmingham. I don't remember where he got the tickets but I got to go. I put on a coat and tie and we got in my dad's Buick and drove to Birmingham. When we got there and walked into the banquet room I quickly realized that without there jerseys on I didn't know who any of the players were. I asked my dad where Ozzie Newsome was because he was one of my favorite players. "He's not her son; he is in Mobile for the Senior Bowl".

I then asked where Johnny Davis, a bruising running back for the Tide, was and my dad said he's sitting right behind you. I turned around and saw one of the largest black men I had ever seen in my life. I managed to ask him if he would sign my program and he smiled, signed my program and said "Roll Tide". I walked around a got a few more autographs from some other players who until this moment had only been a number and a helmet in my mind. Jack O'Rear, "Mean" Lou Green, Mike Tucker and Terry Jones now all had faces that I would put with those numbers.

I sat down next to my father as the invocation was given and the meal began to be served. We introduced ourselves to the others who were at our table and made small talk while we waited for the food. Suddenly a hush fell over the crowd and every head turned to the front of the room. He walked slowly up to the head table escorting his wife on his arm as applause erupted and people began to stand. He smiled and waved his hand as if to say stop it and go back to eating. He pulled out his wife's chair and then seated himself and the crowd went back to talking and eating.

I honestly don't remember what we ate that night. I could barely think about food, I was in a room filled with greatness. My heroes were seated all around me and looking down from the elevated head table was the legend himself, coach Paul "Bear" Bryant. I sat there thinking about how I thought The Bear looked like a cross between my grandfather and what God must look like. The man sitting across the table from me had his son with him who was about my age and had also gotten several autographs. We must have both been staring at the coach because he suggested

that we go up and get his autograph.

I was stunned that he had suggested such a thing. I mean that had to be against some kind of rule didn't it? I imagined it to be akin to someone other than the high priest daring to go into the "holy of holies" in Solomon's temple. Surely we would be struck dead or at least be arrested if our foot so much as touched the first step leading to the head table. I looked at my dad expecting him to say "don't be silly, you can't go up there." But he totally floored me when he said "go ahead, it's okay, but be polite."

My heart began to pound in my chest as I slid my chair back and slowly stood. My feet were like lead as I walked to the front of the room. I glanced around quickly looking for armed guards to be running towards me but there were none. As we reached the head table a man asked me and the other boy what he could do for us. I just knew we were about to be arrested. I cleared my throat and said in a soprano voice "we would like to ask coach Bryant for his autograph." The man thought for just a moment and said "sure but don't take too long."

A wave of nausea hit me and I broke out in a cold sweat. I was actually going to go speak to the greatest football coach of all time. I walked up the three steps to the platform that held the head table and I could see him eating his meal. He was at the other end of the platform and I would have to walk past several other dignitaries to get to him. I slowly began walking toward him. With each step it became more difficult to breath and my heart pounded harder. As I drew closer I realized what a big man he was and how rock hard his face looked. I imagined that if he were to turn and look at me that fire would shoot from his eyes and incinerate me right there on the spot.

There was now only one person between me and Coach Bryant. John Ed Willoughby was a local radio personality and the master of ceremonies for the evening. He saw us approaching and no doubt could see the trepidation on our faces. "Howdy boys" he said "y'all want an autograph?" "Yes sir" I said in a shaky voice and handed him my program. I relaxed for a moment and was able to catch my breath. He handed me back my program and I turned back toward Coach Bryant and realized he was

looking right at me.

There was no fire, I wasn't struck dead but I was suddenly calmed by the soft grandfatherly look on his face, "You want an autograph son" he said in a voice that made the floor vibrate. "Yes sir" I said feeling a little more confident. "Well I tell you what son", "I'll give you one if you let Mary Harmon sign one too." "Yes sir" I answered and he reached out and took my program with hands so large they looked like they could have wrapped around my waist. I was standing so close to him I could smell his aftershave and see every crevice and wrinkle on his sun tanned face. They both signed the program and smiled at me, Coach Bryant handed it back to me and patted me on the shoulder "there you go son" he said to which I replied "thank you Coach." I turned and walked away not wanting to overstay my welcome but knowing I would never forget what had just happened.

The rest of the evening went by like a blur, highlights were shown on eight millimeter film, gold watches were given and The Bear himself made a few remarks. The evening ended and we made our way back to my dad's Buick and drove home.

When we got home my dad told me to make sure you don't lose that program "it's going to mean something to you one day." I didn't and he was right. Not too many years after that I sat in Birmingham's Legion Field and watched Bear Bryant become the winningest coach in college football history with a win over Auburn. I still remember the day in my freshman year of college when I heard that the Bear had passed away. I also remember watching the funeral procession on a local news station with tears in my eyes. I still have the program; it is framed and hangs in my office today.

We all have those days we will never forget, maybe because of someone we met or something that has happened. Those are the days that help make up our character and push us to be who we are meant to be. They are defining moments and we carry them with us forever.

A few ordinary men had a day like that when Jesus walked up to them and said "Come, follow me," and they did and they were never the same. I met Bear Bryant and it made a lasting impression on my life, but I also met Jesus and it changed me for eternity.

CHURCH NEWS

Homecoming set for Sunday at Newbia Baptist Church

The membership of Newbia Baptist Church, located on County Rd. 330, Elba, invites all to Sunday, Oct. 6, at the church. Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. with special

Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church invites all to Homecoming set for Oct. 6

Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church, located at 3698 County Road 228, Elba, will hold homecoming on Sunday, October 6.

The Old Southern Gospel Group will provide music

beginning at 10:00 a.m., and services will begin at 11:00. Bro. Richard Collier will provide the message, followed by dinner on the grounds. The Public is invited.

music by Zach and Amy Spann. Former pastor, Rev. Donnie Marler, will deliver the Homecoming message. A covered dish lunch will follow in the fellowship hall.

Whitewater Baptist Church announces Homecoming plans

Whitewater Baptist Church, located at 4301 Hwy. 125, Elba, Ala., will celebrate 163 years on Sunday, Oct. 13, with its annual Homecoming service.

Services for this day will begin at 10:30 a.m. Providing special music and serving as guest speaker be Nick Akin from Atlanta, Ga.

A covered dish luncheon will follow the serves in the church fellowship hall. All are welcome to attend.

What does the Bible say about... Feeding the Soul?

Article written by Douglas Williams



Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4).

"Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the Word, that you may grow thereby" (1 Peter 2:1-2).

We not only need food for our physical bodies, but also food for our spiritual souls. Without food living things die. Without food your physical body will die. If you have pets, without feeding them, they will die.

All people need to feed their hearts and minds with the Word of God. God's Word is the food for a person's soul, and if people do not read and study God's Word, then their souls will die.

Some of the things we buy come with an owner's manual. In a similar way, the Bible is like an owner's manual for us. God created us and knows exactly what we need to do and how we should live in order to be happy.

Wouldn't it be good for all of us to read and study the Bible more than we have in the past? Remember, if we love God we will keep His commandments (John 14:15). The Bible may be

referred to as our "road map," to tell us how to live and get to heaven. Also, God's Word will judge us in the last day (John 12:48).

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**** Mulberry Missionary Baptist District Association Inc., Elba, Ala., Laymen's Department "A Praise and Worship Service"** will be Sunday, Oct. 6, beginning at 3 p.m. Face masks and social distancing encouraged.

Condemned to Wander

Fourteen-year-old Jeff Thornton loved to ride his snowboard in the ski area of the mountains above Los Angeles. As he started his snowboard run on the afternoon of February 7, 1998, fog was beginning to settle in. He became disoriented, lost sight of the signs marking the snowboard trail, and was soon wandering in the uninhabited mountain wilderness.

For six days Jeff stumbled aimlessly in seventy-mile-an-hour winds, subfreezing cold, and snowfall so heavy that rescuers had to call off their search because of "whiteout" conditions. Then, ironically on Friday the 13th, Jeff was found alive, but with lowered body temperature and severe frostbite. Family and friends rejoiced at the "miracle" and prayed for Jeff's recovery, but

as often happens in such cases, his frozen body tissue caused an infection that spread throughout his body. One week after he was found, Jeff died of respiratory problems and heart failure. The wilderness had claimed its victim after all.

The Israelites lack of faith in God caused them to lose their way spiritually, and they were condemned to wander in another kind of wilderness – the desert of Sinai. Many of them never got out of that wilderness alive. Their wanderings were the direct result of their failure to see the signs that would have kept them "on the trail" to the promised land. – C.R.B.

Question / Answer Section Q/A for the Week of 10/3/24

Q: To whom did David say, "I have sinned against the Lord."

A: Nathan [2 Samuel 12:13]

Q: How many burnt offerings did Solomon offer at Gibeon?

A: A Thousand [1 King 3:4]

Q: How long did it take for Solomon to build the house of the Lord?

A: Seven Years [1 King 6:38]

Questions for the Week of 10/10/24

Q: To which city of Judah did David go to be made King of Judah? (city of Jerusalem, city of Bethlehem, or city of Hebron)

Q: How many tribes of Israel did God say He would give to Solomon's son? (5, 1, or 12)

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